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## <u>PATENT</u>



# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 CFR 1.53(b))

| Assistant Commissioner for Patents  |
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| Washington, DC 20231  |
| Sir:  Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is:  a patent application  a Continuation a Divisional a Continuation-in-Part (CIP)  of prior application no.: ; filed  A Small Entity Statement(s) was filed in the prior application; Status still proper and desired.  Inventor(s) or Application Identifier:  Michael Brader-Araje, Durham, North Carolina; Dov Cohn, Raleigh, North Carolina;  Mark Jauquet, Amherst, New York; Richard Racz, Durham, North Carolina; and |
| John L. Root, III, Raleigh, North Carolina,  Entitled: SYSTEMS, METHODS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS THAT FACILITATE PARTICIPATION IN ONLINE AUCTIONS VIA AN INTERMEDIARY  |
| WEB SITE  |
| Enclosed are:   |
| 1. Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing)   |
| 2. 50 pages of Specification (including 53 claims)  |
| 3. 12 sheets of Drawings (35 USC 113)   |
| 4. Oath or Declaration  |
| a. newly executed (original or copy)  |
| b. copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (for continuation/divisional) [Note Box 5 Below] c. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) (Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application)   |
| 5. Incorporation By Reference (useable if box 4b is checked)  |
| The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.   |
| 6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)   |
| 7. Assignment papers (cover sheet(s) and document(s))   |
| 8. Small Entity Statement(s)  |
| 9. Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and references cited   |
| 10. Preliminary Amendment (Please enter all claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.)  |
| 11. English Translation Document  |
| 12 Certified Copy of Application No Filed   |

| 13. Sequence Listing/ Sequence Listing Diskette                          |
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| b. paper copy  |
| c. statement in support  |
| 14. An Associate Power of Attorney                                       |
| 15. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) |
| 16. Other: Application filed under 37 CFR 1.41(c)                        |
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#### APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.41(c)

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